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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Patrick RIGNEY et al.

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Examiner: Lawrence  
Ferguson

Title: HIGH INTEGRITY POLYESTER  
STRAPPING

Customer No.: 45482

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 29 September 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims 1-31. Applicants understand that the Examiner re-numbered Claims 35-55 (submitted by Applicants on 11 September 2008) as Claims 31-51. The reason for re-numbering the claims is that previous Claims 31-34 (submitted by Applicants on 29 July 2008) were not entered by the Examiner. Pursuant to the

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Examiner's decision, a new listing of pending Claims 31-51 (re-numbered) is presented below.